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Dear 

Thanks ever so much for your most thoughtful letter of congratulations. I need and appreciate the support of good friends like yourself because the challenge ahead is great. I'll do my best to live up to your and the President's expectations.

I'm sorry you were unable to attend the Change of Command ceremony. As you can imagine, as fast as things were happening, I almost didn't make it myself!

Save all those "snide remarks about the CIA" -- I'd love to hear them.

Thanks again and all the best to you and Betty.

Yours,



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Admiral, U.S. Navy

